

## Prayer Guide

### Clare Baptist Church

Known as “the smallest town in Suffolk”, Clare boasts as many churches as pubs. The Baptist Church has been an active hub of the community for generations. However, they haven’t let COVID-19 stop them from keeping in touch, caring for each other, and supporting the local community. They decided to go all out to decorate the church so the message of hope at Christmas is visible from the outside.

- Pray for the opportunities that have been opened up over these past few months.
- Pray for the continuation of the sense of community in Clare and the church.
- Pray for the Christmas gift packs to be well received with their message of hope.
- Pray for the future – what the fellowship should be doing and why.

### Walton Parish Nursing

- Please continue to pray for Lorna, John and the volunteers.
- Pray that the new Wellbeing Group will be helpful to those attending.
- Pray that the Lord will raise up new volunteers, particularly drivers and a Treasurer.

### MRBC

- Pray for those who have recently lost loved ones and those who are unwell at this time and also in hospital, particularly as we come up to Christmas.
- Please pray for Mark and his family as he takes a few days off between 23<sup>rd</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> December.
- Pray for those we know who are home alone over Christmas.

### Nation

- Give thanks that the new coronavirus vaccine is being rolled out. Pray that its roll-out will be smooth in the first few months of next year.
- Continue to remember those who are sick with the virus and those who have lost loved ones.
- Pray for those who are suffering loss of jobs and businesses because of the pandemic, particularly in retail and hospitality.
- Pray for our Government as they come towards the end of Brexit negotiations, that there may be wise heads and wise decisions.



### December Birthdays

20<sup>th</sup> Carol G

### Church Contacts

Church Contacts			
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Welcome to Maidstone Road Baptist Church

## <Carol Service>

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Leader: Delyth Mayhew and Speaker: Mark Reid  
In Church and via MRBC Website

This week	
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30am The Carol Service Live at Church and also on the MRBC Website
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	7-30pm Walton Churches Advent Course on Zoom Week 5- Awestruck Anticipation
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 10.00am - 11.00am	Online Coffee Morning via Zoom Come and go as you please. Please contact us if you need log-on details.
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30am The Christmas Service Online only from 10-30am on the MRBC website
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30am The Christmas Extra Service The Christmas Extra Service with J John online only on the MRBC Website. There is no service at church



Church Website:  
mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk

Got a notice for the Sheet?

There will be no Weekly Sheet for Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December. But feel free to send contributions for the sheet on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2020.

Fellowship prayer requests go to Steve by Friday morning

Notices for the weekly sheet to Lisa R by Friday evening

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Regular Activities

Because of the constraints placed on us by the Coronavirus pandemic, the only Church activities running at present are those listed in the Weekly Sheet.

### CTF - Community Prayers

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December**  
**11.00am**  
Via Zoom

See flyer on website or in church.

### SERVICES IN DECEMBER

20<sup>th</sup> Dec - **Carol Service**

25<sup>th</sup> Dec - **Christmas Day**

**Service** (online only)

27<sup>th</sup> Dec - **Canon J John (online only)**

**Live services resume on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> January but all available online.**

**See opposite for more details.**

## REGULAR STUFF

**Leadership Team** – usually monthly first Tuesday.

Next Meeting – **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021** at 7.30pm (on Zoom)

**Church Meeting** – usually bi-monthly second Tuesday.

Next meeting - **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021** at 7.30pm. (on Zoom).

**Prayer Meetings** – monthly on first Saturday

Next meeting – **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> January** at 9.30am (Via Zoom)



### WALTON CHURCHES ADVENT COURSE

This year our Walton Advent course will be held online via Zoom on Monday evenings at 7-30pm starting Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November and continuing each Monday until 21<sup>st</sup> December (5 sessions).

**The theme is**  
*Worship in the Waiting*

Week 5 Awestruck Anticipation

Elements of the preceding Sunday Services will feed into these themes. A study guide comes with the series.

### Small Groups

**Felixstowe Evening Group**  
**(Margaret Lines/Ingrid Fenn)**

Mondays (not currently meeting)

**Trimley Evening Group**  
**(Andrew Marfleet)**

Mondays Fortnightly (not currently meeting)

**Old Felixstowe Daytime Group**  
**(Steve Lineham)**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays on Zoom.  
Contact Steve L for details.

**Felixstowe Morning Group**  
**(Brian and Dot Salway)**

Thursdays **Contact Brian and Dot.**

### Advent Services

As this is the season of Advent, we shall be lighting advent candles as part of the services up to and including Christmas Day. We invite all those watching online to **join in by lighting your own advent candle at each of these services** – or why not make your own Advent Crown of 5 candles?



### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Please pray for our Christmas Services which are taking place under these unusual circumstances. Service 20<sup>th</sup> of December will be live at church, but those on 25<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> will be online only. All online services are available on demand after first broadcast.

**20<sup>th</sup> December Carol Service** - A blend of Bible readings with carols old and new.

**25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day Service** – online service only. A short service of carols and family fun.

**27<sup>th</sup> December A Second Helping of Christmas** - online service only. Testimonies from famous people and a talk by internationally known evangelist Canon J John.



### In Memoriam

We are sad to inform you, that **Avril Mayhew** was called home on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Please give thanks for her life and witness and pray for her family at this time. **The funeral is at Seven Hills on 30<sup>th</sup> December and will be available online. Details nearer the time.**

Many of you will remember **Olivia (Livvy) Atkins**, daughter of our late member Nora Atkins. Sadly she also passed away recently. Please pray for her family too at this time.

### Walton Parish Nursing Contacts

Lorna Bellamy	07969901001	Tues/Weds/Thurs 9.00 am - 4.00 pm
John Gillett	07909888703	Tues/Thurs 8.30 am - 4.30 pm